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E.O. 11652: XGDS-3 TAGS: PINT, JA, US SUBJECT: LOCKHEED

1. FONOFF FIRST NORTH AMERICAN DIVDIR FUJII CALLED

EMBOFF IN MARCH 5 AND ASKED THAT HE PASS AS

"INFORMAL INQUIRY" TO WASHINGTON FOLLOWING SCENARIO CONCERNING MOD-

ALITIES OF DELIVERY AND RELEASE OF PRESIDENT'S REPLY TO MIKI LETTER:

A. FONOFF UNDERSTANDS THAT DELIVERY OF LETTER TO BE MADE IN TOKYO. FUJII REQUESTED THAT DELIVERY BE MADE BY EMBASSY TO FONOFF RATHER THAN TO PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICE. FONOFF WOULD THEN TRANSLATE LETTER AND TRANSMIT TO PRIME MINISTER AND OTHER INTERESTED CABINET OFFICIALS.

B. AFTER RECEIVING LETTER, FONOFF WILL
WANT TO HOLD LETTER FOR ABOUT FIVE HOURS
BEFORE RELEASING TO PRESS. TIME
NEEDED TO TRANSLATE AND TRANSMIT LETTER. IT ALSO POSSIBLE
THAT CABINET MEETING WILL BE HELD IN CONNECTION WITH
RECEIPT AND RELEASE OF LETTER.

C. FONOFF WOULD LIKE DELIVERY TO TAKE PLACE DURING NORMAL WORKING HOURS, PREFERABLY IN THE MORNING LOCAL TIME.

D. FONOFF PREFERS TO HAVE "GIST" OF PRESIDENT'S LETTER RELEASED, IN SAME WAY AS WAS DONE IN CASE OF MIKI LETTER, I.E. SECRET

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TEXT OF LETTER MINUS SALUTATION AND CLOSING BRIEFED

AS "GIST".

2. EMBOFF TOLD FUJII HE WOULD PASS HIS "INFORMAL INQUIRY" BACK TO WASHINGTON FOR CONSIDERATION. SHOESMITH

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